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REMARKS

The present response is intended to be fully responsive to all points of objection and/or rejection raised by the Examiner and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Applicants assert that the present invention is new, non-obvious and useful. Prompt consideration and allowance of the claims is respectfully requested.

Status of Claims

Claims 1 through 17 are pending in the application. Claims 4 through 6 have been objected to. Claims 1 through 17 have been rejected. Claims 1, 4, 5, 6 and 13 have been amended.

Claims 11 and 15 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. In making this cancellation without prejudice, Applicants reserve all rights in these claims to file divisional and/or continuation patent applications.

Applicants respectfully assert that the amendments to the claims add no new matter.

Allowable Subject Matter

In the Office Action, the Examiner stated that claims 2 through 10 and 16 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

Claim Objections

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In the Office Action, the Examiner objected to claims 4 through 6 because of alleged informalities. Claims 4 through 6 have been amended in order to cure these informalities. Accordingly, Applicants request withdrawal of the objection.

CLAIM REJECTIONS

35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 11 and 15 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph.

Claims 11 and 15 have been cancelled.

35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejections

In the Office Action, the Examiner rejected claims 1, 11 through 13, 14, 15 and 17 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b), as being anticipated by: (1) admitted prior art FIG.2 in the application, and (2) U.S. Pat. No. 4,733,105 to Shin (the '105 patent).

Applicant has amended independent claims 1 and 13 to recite the limitation of disconnecting a "circuit path between a given voltage source and said output node ... prior to connecting another voltage source." This limitation is neither taught nor suggested in either of the cited reference. Accordingly, amended independent claims 1 and 13 should now be allowable. Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner withdraw his rejections of claims 1 and 13. Pending dependent claims 2 through 10 and 12 should be allowable by virtue of their dependency from claim 1. Dependent claims 14, 16 and 16 should be allowable by virtue of their dependency from claim 13.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, the pending claims are deemed to be allowable. Their favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner have any question or comment as to the form, content or entry of this Amendment, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number below. Similarly, if there are any further issues yet to be resolved to advance the

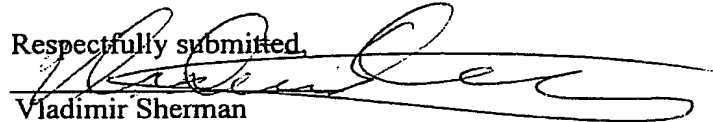
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prosecution of this application to issue, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned counsel.

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